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Reference is made to your H22142, H22229 and H22541 of last night requesting material presumably for G-2 at Fort Shafter. Although I appreciate the need to further good relations of mutual assistance between your office and Fort Shafter, I am anxious that our field offices, in general, do not extend local services so far that they lose sight in any degree of their primary mission of supplying material to headquarters.

The text of the Bollaert speech was material within our province to supply to intelligence offices, and although the re-punching of it to you involved a considerable burden on the reduced teletype staff at headquarters, I believe the request was not an unreasonable one.

Speeches of American officials, on the other hand, such as those of General Marshall before the United Nations, lie outside our proper coverage, and to supply them would tax our facilities. Please convey to Fort Shafter our regret that we cannot comply with requests of this nature.

Sincerely yours,

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Deputy Chief, FBIB

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